

CLAIMS

- 5 1. A method of providing a link between an application program and a function in a dynamic link library of a computing device, the method comprising providing a remapping component arranged to provide, in response to a call by the application program to link to the function at an address location in a first dynamic link library, an address location for the function in a further dynamic link library, so as to enable the application programme to link directly to the function in the further dynamic link library.
- 10 2. A method according to claim 1 wherein the address location of the function in the further dynamic link library is provided by inserting the address location into an export data table for the remapping component.
- 15 3. A method according to claim 2 comprising using a relocation instruction in the remapping component to insert the said address location into the export data table.
- 20 4. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein the remapping component is arranged to provide the respective address locations of a plurality of functions in a plurality of further dynamic link libraries.
- 25 5. A method according to any one of the preceding claims comprising providing a plurality of the remapping components between the first dynamic link library and the further dynamic link library.
- 30 6. A method according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the application program is arranged to link by ordinal number to the dynamic link library.

7. A method according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the application program is arranged to link by name to the dynamic link library.
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8. A computing device arranged to operate in accordance with a method according to any one of claims 1 to 7.
9. Computer software arranged to cause a computing device to operate in accordance with a method according to any one of claims 1 to 7.
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